GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PERSONNEL,PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4345
ANSWERED ON:22.08.2001
CHANGE IN RESERVATION QUOTA
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Will the Minister of PERSONNEL,PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of SC and ST population with percentage to the total population in the country as per the Census 2001, State and Union Territory-wise;

(b) whether any State Government has changed the percentage of reservation quota for SC and ST on the basis of recent Census and reorganization of States;

(c) if so, details thereof;

(d) whether Bihar Government has reduced ST reservation quota to only one percent, though the percentage of ST population is much higher in the State;

(e) if so, whether such action of the State Government is violates the Constitution of the country; and

(f) if so, the action taken/proposed to be taken by the Union Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES, AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES, MINISTER STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND TRAINING, DEPARTMENT OF PENSIONS AND PENSIONERS WE OF THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE II DEPARTMENTS OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND SPACE. (SMT.VASUNDHARA RAJE)

(a): As reported by the Registrar General, India the population of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes and their percentage to the total population as per the 2001 census, is not yet available.

(b),(c)&(d): It is the prerogative of State Governments to determine percentage of reservation for SCs and STs in the services of the respective States. Central Government does not maintain or monitor information about reservation in State services.

(e): There is no violation of the Constitution in fixing the percentage of reservation for SCs and STs for its own employees by any State Government.

(f): Question does not arise.